

Taxis' Daily Life Toll Mounts As Law Continues Unenforced

By Sophie Irene Loeb.

A terrible toll is being taken on the streets of the city by taxicab drivers, one out of every ten of their number causing some injury and even death, as has been shown in the previous article in this series.

The Evening World's investigation shows sad and sorrowful trails left by the non-enforcement of this law, which was made to protect the public against the reckless element in the taxi business.

The honest and careful drivers are as anxious as the public that this law should be enforced. Here are some details of the facts found in outstanding cases:

At 8 P. M., April 10, Herbert Eif, five years old, of No. 1570 Madison Avenue, while walking south on 110th Street near Fifth Avenue, in the company of his father, was struck by an east bound taxicab owned and operated by Murray Meyers of No. 62 East 110th Street. The boy died shortly after at Mount Sinai Hospital.

Herbert had gone out for a walk with his father and while both of them stood on the corner waiting to cross the street the taxi had started up and then backed onto the curbstone while both the father and child were looking in the opposite direction to cross the street.

The father suffered a fractured leg. He had his leg in a cast for a long period and is unable to do real work at the present time. He is now helping his brother in a store and doing odd tasks there.

The driver was arrested but released on bail. He is not bonded and any help to this family is hardly to be expected.

At 5:55 P. M., May 2, Sam Rubin, ten years old, of No. 59 East Third Street, while crossing the street in front of No. 72 East Second Street was struck and knocked down by a taxicab owned and operated by Harry Harof, No. 545 Stone Avenue, Brooklyn. The child was pronounced dead on the arrival of the ambulance surgeon from Bellevue Hospital.

Mrs. Rubin was at home at the time, and the boy had gone down to the street to play checkers with a chum. One of the checkers had rolled into the gutter and the boy was stooping over to get it when he was struck by the car. This family has three surviving children, the youngest being fourteen years old. Sam was the only boy.

The taxicab driver was taken to the Second Street Police Court and released under bail. The lawyer Mrs. Rubin engaged asked for a retainer of \$50 to \$100, but the woman could ill afford it and believed that he was in league with the other side, so she dropped the case temporarily.

At the 3d District Magistrate's Court, on Second Street and Second Avenue, it was learned that the docket number of this case is 5189; that the chauffeur was arraigned on a charge of homicide on May 2.

This case was adjourned to May 9 and then again to May 17, but was discharged by the Magistrate because there was no complaint. Papers are at present in the Court of General Sessions.

This chauffeur was not bonded under the bonding law.

At 5 P. M., on May 3, Morris Rosenberg, nine years old, of No. 635 East 11th Street, while playing ball in the street was struck by a taxicab owned and operated by Joseph Wolff of No. 305 East Third Street. The boy died that same day.

Mrs. Rosenberg stated that the boy had come home from school that day bringing home a report card marked "A-A-A" and that he was very

all who knew him. He had come home to tell his mother that there had been a fire in his classroom at school and he had hurried home to tell her that he was safe, as he knew she would be worried.

He was given an apple and a penny. He dropped the apple near the curb and in stooping down to get it he was run down by the taxi, which had turned the corner of Avenue B.

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